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ABSTRACT

A method of authorizing the making of images on a receiver such as postage stamps by a receiving agency includes electronically transmitting a digital image file over a channel to the receiving agency and the digital image file includes at least one digital image and authorization information for making images on a receiver. The method further includes receiving the digital image file at the receiving agency, displaying at least one received digital image and examining the displayed digital image to determine whether its contents are acceptable for making images and examining the authorization information and printing at a designated location accepted digital images on a receiver corresponding to the transmitted digital image when the authorization information is approved.